

Bob Ernst

Crew Program Coordinator and Head Men's Coach 20th Season

Ten-Time Pac-10 Coach of the Year

The Washington crew program is all about tradition. The white blades of

Husky oars have cut through the water on the Nile in Egypt, in South America, the Soviet Union, on the Thames in England, across the United States as well as on their home on the Montlake Cut. UW rowing is all about great competitors, great races and great coaches.

Bronze plaques, immortalizing some of the great Washington coaches, hang in the Conibear shell house. Tributes to Hiram Conibear, Al Ulbrickson and Dick Erickson keep the history of the program alive and stand as a reminder of the great champions and tradition that is Washington Rowing.

Current Husky men's rowing coach Bob Ernst is a proud caretaker of the history and tradition of Washington Rowing.

Ernst, who hails from southern California and graduated from UC Irvine, was a 27-year-old coach at his alma mater when he first caught the eye of former Husky men's Coach Dick Erickson. Ernst's upstart team from UC Irvine nearly upset the Huskies in the spring of 1974 and Erickson wasted little time offering him an assistant's position coaching the Huskies.

Ernst coached the freshman men from the fall of 1974 to the spring of 1980 before taking over as the women's head coach. Ernst became the men's head coach in 1987 when Erickson retired.

Now in his 33rd season of coaching at Washington, including his 20th year as the Husky men's coach, Ernst continues to have the same passion and dedication he had when he first arrived in Seattle. He has had many successes over the years including the distinction of being the only collegiate coach to have coached both the men's varsity and the women's varsity to a National Championship. He also coached the 1984 women's Olympic eight to a gold medal win in Los Angeles.

The most recent racing season (spring, 2006) saw the Huskies' freshman eight and open four collect gold medals at the IRA national championships.

Ernst was honored as the 2004 Pac-10 Coach of the Year, his 10th such honor, after helping the Huskies to the Pac-10 team championships with golds in the varsity eight, junior varsity eight and varsity four events. The Huskies also beat California for the second year in a row in the varsity eight at the Pac-10 regatta, and at the IRA regatta in June, the junior varsity eight and the four with coxswain both the gold and the varsity eight won the silver. He was named the conference's top women's coach in 1987 before winning as the men's coach from 1990-93, 1995-97and 2003.

In 2003, Washington celebrated its 100th season of rowing. During the 2003 season, Ernst directed the men's varsity eight crew to its first Pac-10 championship since 1997. Both the varsity and junior varsity eights finished the season with silver medals at the IRA Championship. The varsity four won the IRA title. The Huskies also posted a

runner-up performance in the junior varsity event and won the gold in the varsity four.

The Huskies capped their centennial season at the prestigious Henley Royal Regatta in England. Washington triumphed against a strong international field to win the Ladies Challenge Plate competition.

All along the way, Bob Ernst has directed the Huskies to stellar results and historic moments. None were more significant than what happened in June of 1997.

That season, the Washington men reached the pinnacle of their

sport, as the varsity, junior varsity and freshman crews all won gold medals at the prestigious IRA championships. It marked the first time since 1950 that the Huskies had accomplished the feat.

Washington's 1997 Varsity Challenge Cup victory at the IRAs was the 11th such title in Husky history. The junior varsity crew picked up its 10th all-time victory in the Kennedy Challenge Cup as did the freshmen in the Stewards Cup. It capped an undefeated season across the board for the Huskies.

What made the weekend even more special was the fact that the Husky women's team won the inaugural NCAA rowing championships in Sacramento, under the direction of Jan Harville, whom Ernst had coached as an Olympian.

"That is probably the most significant day in the history of Washington rowing, for me," said Ernst. "In the 25 years I've coached here, to have the men and women both be national champions on the same weekend - that's special."

Under Ernst, the varsity men have won a variety of events, including: Six Copley Cup titles (San Diego Crew Classic); 14 Windermere Cup titles and 10 conference championships. In addition, Ernst's freshman crews won five Pac-10 titles from 1975 to 1980.

He has been honored by his peers as Pac-10 Coach of the Year 10 times and was recognized locally as a finalist for the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Sports Star of the Year award in 1982.

Under his guidance, the Husky women brought home UW's first national team championship when the junior varsity and varsity both earned titles in 1981. Both crews successfully defended their titles the following two seasons (1982, 1983) and the varsity women went on to claim three more national championships, in 1984, 1985 and 1987. In his final season as the women's coach, Ernst's rowers swept the top three races at the national championships, winning gold medals in the varsity eight, JV and varsity four races. The UW women claimed a total of six national titles in seven years while he directed the program. His 1981 women's varsity was inducted into UW's athletic Hall of Fame in 1989. The 1982 and 1983 women's crews were 2001 inductees into



Bob Ernst and Husky Hall of Fame coach Dick Erickson.

the Husky Hall of Fame.

Ernst has also brought international recognition to the program. Four times in his span as head men's coach, he has taken Husky crews to the Henley Royal Regatta in England. He took Washington rowers to the Henley Royal Regatta four times since becoming the head men's coach and he helped to build the internationally recognized Windermere Cup Regatta. National crews from Italy, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, China, Egypt, Czech Republic, Germany and the United States have competed at the Opening Day festival.

Ernst also had the opportunity to coach outside the college ranks. He coached the U.S. National Team from 1976 to 1988, and traveled with the team to Amsterdam, New Zealand, Belgium, Germany, Yugoslavia, Seoul and Switzerland. He had the honor of coaching on four Olympic Teams, in 1976, 1980, 1984 and 1988. At the 1984 Games in Los Angeles, he directed the women's eight-oared crew to the only Olympic gold medal in its history.

His Olympic accolades extend beyond the water. In 1996, Ernst worked with NBC providing TV color commentary for the rowing events at the Atlanta Games and he served as the course announcer at the rowing venue for the 2000 Games in Sydney, Australia.

While Ernst's honors are numerous, the accolades collected by his rowers are just as plentiful. Over the last 27 years, many of his student-athletes, both men and women, have gone on to compete on national and Olympic teams. Ernst coached former Washington women rowers Kristi Norelius, Shyrl O'Steen and former coxswain Betsy Beard in the gold medal winning eight in 1984. Norelius also rowed on the 1980 Olympic team and competed on the 1981, 1982 and 1983 National teams. Ernst also coached O'Steen and Jane McDougall on the '82 and '83 National teams. Norelius, O'Steen and McDougall won the silver medal in the eight at the 1982 World Championships. And, former rower Susan Broome (an alternate on the 1984 Olympic team) won a silver medal in the pair at the 1985 World Championships. Ernst also coached former rowers Chris Campbell, Broome and coxswain Beard to a silver medal at the 1987 World Championships and at the 1988 Olympic games in Seoul.

Many of the men who rowed for Ernst were also successful on the international front. Al Forney, Charlie Clapp, and Ed Ives (all former freshman rowers for Ernst) rowed on the 1984 Olympic team and won silver medals in the four without coxswain, the eight and the four with coxswain respectively. Brad Lewis won the gold medal in the double skulls and Bruce Ibbetson, who rowed for Ernst at UC Irvine, won a silver medal in the eight in 1984. Canadian Blair Horn, another former freshman rower for Ernst, won the gold medal for Canada in 1984 in the eight. Mark Schneider rowed in the four without coxswain in the 2000 games, and in the bronze medal winning four without in the 1996 games. Phil Henry and Bob Cummins won the gold medal in the eight at the 1997 World Championships. Former men's coxswain Sean Mulligan earned a gold

medal in the men's four at the 1999 World Championships. Canadian Dave Calder competed in the eight in the 2000 Olympics, became a World Champion in 2003 in the eight and represented Canada in the pair at the 2004 Olympic Games. In 2003, Steve Gillespie competed in the double skulls and Matt Deakin won a gold medal in the four at the World Championships. Deakin became an Olympic Champion in 2004 at the Athens games, winning the gold in the men's eight. Current freshman coach Michael Callahan represented the U.S. as a spare on the 2004 Olympic team. Ernst is proud of all of his former rowers and considers himself lucky to have coached such great athletes.

Ernst, who began his coaching career at his alma mater, earned a bachelor's degree in biology from UC Irvine in 1967 and his master's degree in sports administration from the

University of Washington in 1979. He was inducted into Irvine's athletic hall of fame in 1984 and the national rowing hall of fame in 1994.

A 1963 graduate of Costa Mesa (Calif.) High School, Ernst attended Orange Coast College for two years, where he played center on the 1963 national championship junior college football team and competed in swimming and water polo. He transferred to UC Irvine and continued his swimming and water polo career. Ernst was also a member of Irvine's rowing program in 1966 and 1967 and was team captain as a senior.

Ernst, 60, resides in Edmonds, Wash. with his family.

Q & A with Bob Ernst

Who has had the biggest influence on you as a coach?

"There are several people, but probably most important is my father. He always did the 'Dad' stuff — drove me to the baseball and football games. We talked sports his whole life, so he obviously was the biggest influence. Of course, when you're a kid, you always want to please your dad. He had a great appreciation for the things I've had a chance to do —coaching here, coaching the Olympic team.

"After him, it certainly would have to be Dick Erickson. He had a huge influence on my coaching career. Dick allowed me to come to the University of Washington to coach. That's a career in itself, a unique opportunity. You can't buy that type of opportunity. Everything I learned from Dick and all the doors he opened for me were outstanding.

"If I had to name a third person, it would be my old coach Duvall Hecht. He is still coaching at UC-Irvine. He gave me my first coaching job there. He won a gold medal in the Olympics, in the pair in 1956. He was the consummate coach-businessman. He taught me a lot about organization, business and personal standards."

What does it mean to you to coach at Washington?

"As far as the Washington rowing program — there is nothing else like it. The fact that we have a community and a university and people in the state who understand what's going on here is unique. A big part of it is that the campus has water on three sides. The guys who have gone before me here — from Conibear and Ulbrickson to Dick Erickson — we've all done our best to be the guardians and custodians of Washington rowing. Probably the most impressive thing to me, when I first came here, was to see the number of people who actually pulled an oar for Washington, who still live within a couple hundred miles of this boathouse. To have such a beautiful university and have the boathouse right on campus, in a city surrounded by water, it all fits together. It's all like magic."

What is the trademark of a Bob Ernst-coached team?

"I like to think our guys will be prepared for just about anything they are going to face. I think my crews have always trained pretty hard. Probably the most important thing is, I hope that when they are finished rowing and finished doing all the hard work, and get old and gray, looking back on it, they think it was all worthwhile.

"I would like to think that we're prepared to compete, any place, any time, to the best of our resources."

Comment on the "family" of Washington coaches around the country.

"Over the years, there have been lots and lots of Washington coaches all over the country. Rick Clothier, at the Naval Academy, probably has the longest tenure. We're pleased to have Kris Sanford coaching the women's team at Syracuse and Lori Dauphiny at Princeton, both of whom had crews at the NCAA finals.

"John Murphy, at Brown, didn't go to school at Washington, but he coached here. Certainly, we consider him one of us. They're everywhere and they always have been. There have been a lot of Washington coaches throughout the country. Chris Allsop is coaching at Navy with Clothier. The list goes on and on."

Ernst's Profile

Name: Robert Gardner Ernst II Birthdate: Dec. 30, 1945 Hometown: Edmonds, Wash.

High School: Costa Mesa HS; Costa Mesa, Calif.

Education:

University of Washington 1979 — Master's degree, sports administration University of California, Irvine 1967 — Bachelor of Science, biology

Orange Coast College, 1963-64

Athletic Experience

1963-64 Orange Coast College – Football, swimming, water polo

1966-67 UC Irvine – Rowing, water polo

Athletic Honors

1963 Football – junior college national champions

1967 Rowing team captain

Coaching Experience At Washington

1974-80 Freshman men's coach 1980-87 Head women's coach

1987- Head men's coach / Crew program coordinator

At National Level

1976-88 U.S. National Team Coach

1976 U.S. Olympic Team, women's double sculls coach
1980 U.S. Olympic Team, head women's sculling coach
1984 U.S. Olympic Team, head rowing coach, women's eight
1988 U.S. Olympic Team, head rowing coach, women's eight

Coaching Highlights

National champions, women's varsity and junior varsity eight
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1984 National champions, women's varsity eight

1984 Olympic Games, United States women's eight, gold medal

1985 National champions, women's varsity eight

1987 National champion sweep – women's varsity and junior varsity eight and

varsity four gold medals

1997 IRA sweep – varsity, junior varsity and freshman eight gold medals
 2003 Ladies Challenge Plate champions – men's varsity at Henley

Honors and Awards

National Rowing Hall of Fame inductee - 1994

UC Irvine Hall of Fame inductee - 1984

10-time Pacific-10 Conference Coach of the Year

Pac-10 Men's Coach of the Year - 1990, '91, '92, '93, '95, '96, '97, '03, '04

Pac-10 Women's Coach of the Year — 1987

Seattle Post-Intelligencer Sports Star of the Year, finalist – 1982

ROSTERS



Eleanor McElvaine

Women's Head Coach Fourth Season

A native of Everett, Wash., McElvaine is just the third women's head coach at Washington

since 1980, during which time Husky women's crews have earned 22 national collegiate titles.

McElvaine was hired Aug. 13, 2003, replacing longtime head coach Jan Harville, who retired in June of 2003 after 16 years at the helm of the UW women's program.

"When I rowed here in the 1980s, I felt it was an honor to race with the Washington uniform on," McElvaine said. "I feel the same sense of honor and responsibility now as I take on the mantle of head coach, and look forward to continuing the tradition of excellence that is Washington rowing."

Washington is the first collegiate head coaching position for McElvaine, who worked the previous 13 years as a women's novice coach, both at Washington and for U.S. Rowing. McElvaine's pupils formed the UW varsity four that won three-straight gold medals at the NCAA Championships from 1999-2001. McElvaine capped her final season as the novice women's coach by receiving the 2003 National Assistant Coach of the Year award from the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association. That marked the first year that the CRCA honored assistant coaches.

In 2005, McElvaine directed the Huskies to a seventhplace NCAA team finish and a third-place Pac-10 performance. She served, in the summer, as the coach of the gold medal U.S. women's four at the 2005 Under-23 World Championship held in Amsterdam. In 2001, McElvaine was inducted into the Husky Hall of Fame as a member of the 1983 national champion women's crew. In four years as a Husky rower from 1982-85, McElvaine helped Washington to three-consecutive varsity eight national titles, rowing in the six seat.

"Eleanor's dedication and hard work during her time at Washington, both as a rower and a coach, are what have made her so successful," UW men's head coach Bob Ernst said. "She's trained for this for a long time, and is eminently qualified to do the job."

McElvaine has also excelled as a coach on the

national level. In 1994, both McElvaine and Harville were honored by U.S. Rowing with its Woman of the Year award for "outstanding service to rowing in the United States." McElvaine was named head coach of the U.S. Junior National Team in 2000, and led the United States' fouroared crew to a gold medal at the 2000 Junior World Championships - the first gold medal ever won by the U.S. junior women - and a silver medal at the event in 2001.

A 1985 graduate of Washington with a degree in

history, McElvaine attended Cascade High School in Everett. She was honored as the Everett Herald's Woman of the Year in 1984, following her junior season at Washington.

Prior to assisting Washington's women's crew, McElvaine was the head rowing coach at the nationally prominent Mt. Baker Rowing and Sailing Center from 1986 to 1990. She tutored her junior women's eight teams to three regional titles and her junior eight squads finished among the top five nationally in each of her seasons there.

McElvaine Profile

Name: Eleanor McElvaine Birthdate: Feb. 3, 1963 Hometown: Everett, Wash.

High School: Cascade HS; Everett, Wash.

College: University of Washington, 1985, Bachelor's degree, history

Rowing Experience

1983-85 University of Washington

Athletic Honors

1983 Gold medal, collegiate national championships, varsity eight
 1984 Gold medal, collegiate national championships, varsity eight
 1985 Gold medal, collegiate national championships, varsity eight

Coaching Experience At Washington

1990-2003 University of Washington, novice women's coach
2003- University of Washington, head women's coach

At Cub Level

1986-90 Mt. Baker Rowing Club

At National Level

1991 U.S. National Team Development, coach
1993 U.S. National Team Development, coach
1995 U.S. National Team Development, coach
1994-98 U.S. Junior National Team, assistant coach
2000-01 U.S. Junior National Team, head coach

2004 U.S. National Team, coached women's four at world championships
 2005 U.S. National Team, coached women's four at U-23 world championships

Coaching Highlights

1997 NCAA team champions, varsity four silver medal

1998 NCAA team champions

1999 NCAA champions, varsity four gold medal
 2000 NCAA champions, varsity four gold medal
 2001 NCAA team champions, varsity four gold medal
 2005 Under-23 world championship gold medal, women's four

Honors and Awards

1984 Everett Herald Woman of the Year1994 U.S. Rowing Woman of the Year

2001 Inducted in Washington Hall of Fame with 1983 crew

2003 National Assistant Coach of the Year, Rowing Coaches Association



Head Coach Eleanor McElvaine on the water at a morning practice

Michael Callahan

Men's Freshman Coach Third Season

Michael Callahan returns for his third year as a coach at his Alma Mater, heading the highly successful freshman program, guiding the freshman boat to a bronze medal at the 2005 IRA National Championships and a first-place finish in 2006.



Callahan has also been active on the national level, coaching the United States Under-23 teams in 2005 and 2006.

Callahan graduated with a bachelor degree in History in 1996. While at the University of Washington, Callahan was the Captain and Commodore of the 1996 team. Callahan won four Pac-10 Championships, winning the Ky-Ebright trophy in the Men's Varsity Eight three times. In 1995 and 1996 he won a bronze and silver medal in the Men's Varsity Eight at the Intercollegiate Rowing Association's National Championships.

Before coming to Washington, Callahan won a gold medal at the 1992 World Rowing Championships in the Junior Men's Eight in Montreal.

After graduation, Callahan joined the U.S. Men's National Team, winning a bronze medal in the 1995 Under-23 World Rowing Championships, followed by a gold medal at the 1996 Under-23 World Rowing Championships. He stroked three U.S. National Team boats at the World Championships between 1997 and 2002. Callahan was a medalist at the 1999 Pan-American Games and 2000 World Rowing Cup. Callahan was a member of the 2004 Olympic Rowing Team.

While training for the Olympic team Callahan worked for Bloomberg Financial Markets and Commodities News, the Head of the Charles Regatta and Goldman Sachs and Co.

In 2001 Callahan joined the University of Washington rowing program as an intern coach. He had specific responsibilities to coach the junior varsity eight that won a silver medal at the IRA National Championships and the men's pair without coxswain that won a gold medal.

While, growing up, Callahan lived with his family in six states on both coasts following his father, a U.S. Navy Submarine Officer, from port to port.

Callahan's Profile

Name: Michael F. Callahan Date of Birth: Feb. 24, 1974 Birthplace: Honolulu, Hawaii

High School: Washington-Lee; Arlington, VA.

College: University of Washington — Bachelor of Arts Degree, History

Rowing Experience

1988-1992 Washington-Lee High School 1992-1996 University of Washington

1996 University of Washington Team Captain and Commodore

1992, '95-03 U.S. National Rowing Team 2004 U.S. Olympic Rowing Team

Athletic Honors

1992 Gold Medal, Junior World Rowing Championships, men's eight Bronze Medal, U-23 World Rowing Championships, men's eight 1995 Gold Medal, U-23 World Rowing Championship's, men's eight 1996 7th Place, World Championships, men's four without coxswain 1997 1998 7th Place, World Championships, men's four without coxswain 1999 Silver Medal, Pan-American Games, men's four without coxswain 2000

Bronze Medal, Lucerne World Cup, men's might

2002 10th Place, World Championships, men's quadruple sculls

Professional Experience

1997-2000 Bloomberg Financial Markets and Commodities News, Multimedia Producer

Head of the Charles, Media Relations Director 2001

2002-2003 Goldman Sachs Co., Foreign Exchange Back-Office Operations Analyst

Coaching Experience

University of Washington, Men's Varsity Intern Coach 2001 2004-University of Washington, Men's Freshman Coach U.S. U-23 National Team, sculling coach 2005 U.S. U-23 National Team, sweep coach 2006

Coaching Highlights

IRA Championships, men's pair gold medal 2001

2001 IRA Championships, men's junior varsity eight silver medal 2005 IRA Championships, men's freshman eight bronze medal 2006 IRA Championships, men's freshman eight gold medal



Men's Freshman Coach Michael Calllahan with Huskies at the 2006 U23 World Championships

ROSTERS



Erica Schwab

Women's Novice Coach 4th Season

Erica Schwab is in her fourth season as a full-time member of the Washington women's crew staff as the women's novice coach. She was hired in 2003 by head coach Eleanor McElvaine. In her three seasons coaching the huskies, Schwab

has coached the novice women's eight to win or place second each year at the Pac-10 Championship Regatta.

"Erica is a product of the Washington rowing program and that is important," said McElvaine who was named the head coach in 2003 after 13 seasons as an assistant on the UW staff. "She is an excellent coach. Erica got some valuable experience back east and at Oregon State."

Schwab came to UW from Oregon State where she served as the novice/freshman coach for the Beavers. Prior to that, she spent six years at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn. Schwab was Trinity's novice women's coach for two years before taking over as the head coach in 1998. She also served as an assistant coach on the women's basketball staff at Trinity for the 1997-98 season.

A product of Anacortes (Wash.) High School, Schwab first came to UW as an undergraduate and rowed from 1992-95. She won Pac-10 championships in the 1992 novice eight, 1993 in the JV eight and again 1994 in the varsity four. Her 1993 junior varsity eight won the Pac-10 title and finished second nationally. In 1995 she rowed in the junior varsity eight and won a bronze medal at the National Championships.

Schwab was invited to participate at the U.S. pre-elite training camp in 1995, where she rowed at the National Training Center in Chattanooga, Tenn. After completing her eligibility at UW, Schwab remained on campus as the varsity intern coach and tutored the third and fourth varsity boats.

Schwab graduated from the University of Washington in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in sociology. She went on to complete her Master of Arts degree in American Studies while coaching at Trinity College.

Schwab's Profile

Name: Erica Ann Schwab Birthdate: March 6, 1973 Hometown: Anacortes, Wash.

High School: Anacortes HS; Anacortes, Wash.

College: University of Washington, 1996 Bachelor's degree, sociology Trinity College, 2003 Master's of Arts, American studies

Rowing Experience

1992-95 University of Washington

Athletic Honors

1992 Gold medal, Pac-10 Championships, novice eight
 1993 Gold medal, collegiate national championships, JV eight
 1993 Silver medal, Pac-10 Championships, JV eight

1994 Gold medal, Pac-10 Championships, varsity four
 1995 Bronze medal, collegiate national championships, JV eight

1995 Invited to U.S. pre-elite training camp

Coaching Experience

1995-96 University of Washington, varsity intern

 1996-98
 Trinity College (Hartford, Conn.), novice women's coach

 1997-98
 Trinity College, women's basketball assistant coach

 1998-2002
 Trinity College (Hartford, Conn.), head women's coach

 2002-03
 Oregon State University, novice women's coach

 2003-present
 University of Washington, novice women's coach

 2006
 CanAmEx Women's Junior Team coach

Coaching Highlights

1996 Led UW's third and fourth varsity boats to undefeated season
 1999 Led Trinity to the New England Championship Team Championship
 2004 Pac-10 Championships, novice eight silver medal

2005 Pac-10 Championships, novice eight silver medal
2005 Pac-10 Championships, novice eight gold medal
2006 Pac-10 Championships, novice eight silver medal



Robbie Tenenbaum

Women's Varsity Asst. First Season

Robbie Tenenbaum is in his first year as a coach for the Washington women's rowing team. He joined Coach Eleanor McElvaine's staff on July 1, 2006.

As the women's varsity assistant coach he will help McElvaine coach the women and implement an aggressive recruiting strategy, which will include helping the men's international efforts.

Tenenbaum spent the last eight years at Ohio State where he earned the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association's (CRCA) 2006 award for Assistant Coach of the Year. That prestigious award is designed to recognize an assistant coach who had success during the recent season, while demonstrating great team improvement from the prior season, fulfilling the team's potential and demonstrating a high level of professionalism and integrity as a coach.

He received back-to-back CRCA Central Region Assistant Coach of the Year honors in 2005 and 2006.

Tenenbaum joined the Buckeye staff during the summer of 1998. His primary responsibilities included overseeing the second varsity eight, assisting with the varsity squad and recruiting.

Tenenbaum has held head coaching positions at Tulsa (1997-98), Florida Tech (1994-95), and Clemson (1993-94) as well as being the assistant women's coach at Tennessee from 1995-1997.

Under his instruction at Ohio State, the second varsity eight boat finished fourth in its Grand Final in both the 2005 and 2006 NCAA Championships. The Buckeyes won both of their Grand Finals at the 2006 Big Ten and Central Region championships and had a seven-race win streak during the regular season.

In 2005, the second varsity eight also finished first at the Big Ten Championships. Tenenbaum helped guide the Ohio State first varsity four to a sixth-place finish at the 2004 NCAA Championships and a fourth-place finish in 2003.

In addition to university coaching, Tenenbaum was an assistant coach for the United States Junior National Rowing Team from 1996-2001. In 1996, his Junior Women's eight took fourth at the World Rowing Championships in Scotland; a year later he was an assistant coach for the Junior Women's eight that finished third at the World Rowing Championships in Belgium. In 1999, he was an assistant with the Junior Women's eight that finished second in Bulgaria.

He assisted head coach McElvaine during the summers of 2000 and 2001 when the Junior Women's four won gold and silver medals in Croatia and Germany respectively. Tenenbaum was named the head coach for the U.S. Junior National team in October 2001. His junior women's eight won a bronze medal in Lithuania in the summer of 2002 and a silver medal at the Junior World Championships in Athens, Greece in 2003.

A native of Shaker Heights, Ohio, Tenenbaum earned a marketing degree from Tampa in 1992.

Tenenbaum's Profile

Name: Robbie Tenenbaum Birthdate: April 22, 1965 Hometown: Shaker Heights, Ohio

High School: Shaker Heights HS; Shaker Heights, Ohio **College:** University of Tampa, 1992 Bachelor's degree, marketing

Rowing Experience

1988-92 The University of Tampa

Coaching Experience Collegiate

1993-94 Clemson University, head coach 1994-95 Florida Tech , head coach

1995-97 University of Tennessee, women's assistant coach

1997-98 University of Tulsa , head coach

1998-2006 The Ohio State University, women's assistant coach 2006- **present** University of Washington, varsity assistant

National Level

1996-2001 United States Junior National Rowing Team, assistant coach 2001-2003 United States Junior National Rowing Team, head coach

Coaching Highlights

2005, 2006 CRCA Central Region Assistant Coach of the Year

2006 CRCA Assistant Coach of the Year